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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the text of the paragraphs listed below with the provided corrected text (red-lined claim copy required by the revised rule is located at the end of this paper as is shown in the example on the PTO web page).

Kindly replace the text of the paragraph which begins on line 8 of page 12 with the following:

Fig. 10B shows an alignment of the amino acid sequences of *Arabidopsis* CKB1, CKB2, and CKB3. The amino acid identities between CKB3 and CKB1, CKB3 and CKB2, and CKB1 and CKB2 are 75%, 71% and 80%, respectively. The similarity is